

# Fiscal Note H.B. 441 2021 General Session Civil Commitment and Competency Amendments by Ray, P.



# General, Education, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/EF/USF (revexp.)	\$(17,300)	\$0	\$(17,300)

State Government UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023				
Total Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Enactment of this legislation likely will not materially impact state revenue.							
Expenditures	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023				
General Fund	\$0	\$17,300	\$17,300				
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$17,300	\$17,300				

Enactment of this legislation could cost the Courts \$16,800 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2022 for additional hearings and community placement safety evaluations for forensic-track patients who are civilly committed and being considered for release. This legislation could cost the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health \$500 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2022 for per diem and travel expenses for a new non-governmental member of the Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council. To the extent that health insurance companies currently do not pay for mental health services for individuals under civil commitment, the Utah State Hospital could realize savings that would vary based on the services needed and the length of the civil commitment. To the extent that additional individuals with brain injuries who are deemed not competent to proceed by the Courts are referred to the Utah State Developmental Center, the center could realize costs of approximately \$70,000 (\$22,000 from the General Fund and \$48,000 from federal Medicaid transfers) per person per year.

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Net All Funds	\$0	\$(17,300)	\$(17,300)

Local Government UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could cost county prosecutors \$5,600 annually for community placement safety evaluations for forensic-track patients who are civilly committed and being considered for release. Additional hearings for these patients could cost county prosecutors and defense attorneys an unknown amount for court and preparation time. To the extent that health insurance companies currently do not pay for mental health services for individuals under civil commitment, Local Mental Health Authorities could realize savings that would vary based on the services needed and the length of the civil commitment.

## Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

# Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation could result in a small increase in the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Note JR4-2-404

No performance note required for this bill

### **Notes on Notes**

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